Claims

1. A belt retractor comprising a tensioning device having a cylinder and a piston displaceably guided in said cylinder, said piston being provided with a tooth rack section into which a pinion can engage to drive said belt retractor, wherein said tooth rack section comprises at least one segment which is detachably attached to said piston.

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- 2. The belt retractor according to claim 1, wherein said piston is manufactured by discasting.
- 3. The belt retractor according to claim 1, wherein said detachable segment consists of another material than said remaining piston.
 - 4. The belt retractor according to claim 1, wherein said detachable segment is manufactured as a profiled part.
 - 5. The belt retractor according to claim 1, wherein said tooth rack section comprises several detachable segments.
- 6. The belt retractor according to claim 1, wherein at least one shearing pin is provided on said piston, which shearing pin reaches into a recess in said detachable segment.
 - 7. The belt retractor according to claim 1, wherein a barb is provided in said cylinder, which barb can engage said detachable segment.
- 20 8. The belt retractor according to claim 1, wherein said pinion (is manufactured by discasting.
 - 9. The belt retractor according to claim 1, wherein said pinion is manufactured in one piece with a belt reel.
- 10. The belt retractor according to claim 1, wherein said pinion comprises more than seven teeth.

11. The belt retractor according to claim 1, wherein said tensioning device comprises a housing, with said cylinder being manufactured in one piece with said diecast housing.